GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4264
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STRIKE BY WORKERS OF BALCO
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Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether workers of the Bharat Aluminium Company had gone on an indefinite strike following Government`s decision to transfer 51% of its share to M/s. Sterlite in March this year;

(b) if so, the details of their demands; and

(c) the steps taken to ensure that the strike is called off ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI JAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD PATIL)

(a) to (c) A majority of the workers at Korba Unit of BALCO have been absenting themselves from duty from 3rd March, 2001. They have not sent any charter of demands as such to the Company. The Management has made a number of appeals to workmen to resume duties, and has also sought intervention of the State machinery as provided under the relevant laws to resolve the issue.